



California State Parks Round 3 NCRSG MPA Evaluation

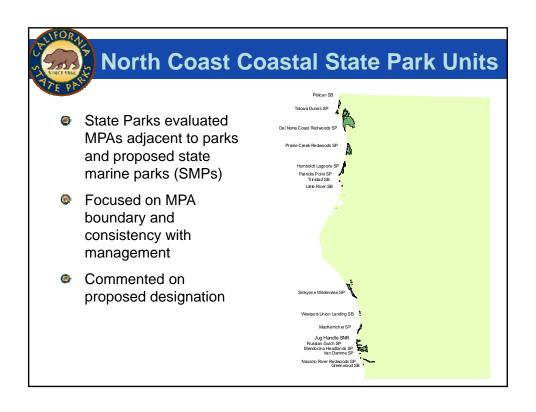
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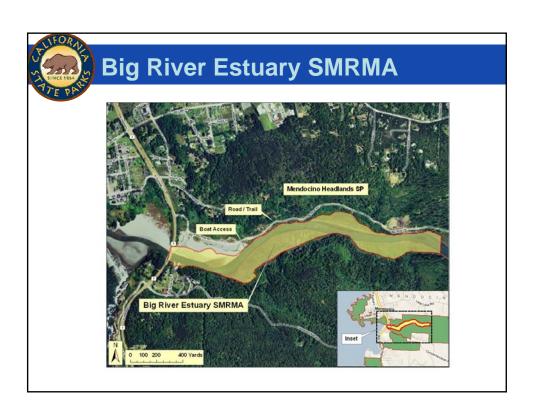
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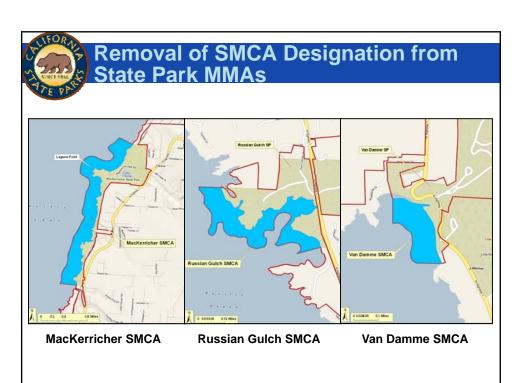
- Provide opportunities for the public to visit, experience, and learn about California's exceptional marine resources
- Help protect representative examples of marine habitats and species across biogeographical regions
- Provide special protection for intertidal species and habitats
- Provide important venues for special marine interpretation and education programs, such as the State Parks PORTS program
- Facilitate law enforcement needed to protect and perpetuate important natural and cultural resource values
- Align with goals and objectives of individual State Park Units
- Marine protected areas (MPAs) should have clear management goals and objectives
- MPA designations should align with the management goals













Summary of Round 2 Evaluation

- A total of 7 evaluations
- Boundary issues were minor and can be easily fixed
- Rocky intertidal areas are not well represented overall
- Some MPAs are adjacent to parks with educational or interpretative infrastructure, but some sites are less accessible to the public (e.g.- Ten Mile SMCA)
- Two MPAs recommended for SMRMA designation conflict with park regulations and management activities
- Proposed removal of SMCA designations from State Park MMAs conflicts with the ongoing public resource protection, park management and Underwater Parks Program

